CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR) CERTIFICATION*

for NYS Children's Camps and NYS Bathing Facilities

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(Go to www.health.ny.gov to view the most current certification list)

The New York State Sanitary Code (SSC) requires certain staff to possess a valid two-rescuer cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) certification in a course accepted by the Department as providing an adequate level of training as follows:

Children's Camps (Subpart 7-2 of the SSC) - CPR certification is required for the health director and other staff specified in sections 7-2.8 and 7-2.11(a)(5), aquatics director, lifeguards, and certain trip and activity leaders¹.

Swimming Pools and Bathing Beaches (Part 6 of the SSC) - CPR certification is required for all lifeguards (Supervision Levels I, IIa, IIb).

Accepted Courses	
Provider	Certification Title
American Red Cross	 CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer² CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer and Healthcare Providers CPR/AED for Lifeguards
American Heart Association Certification listing "Laerdal Medical" as the "TC address contact Info" and "Course Location" on the back of the card are not acceptable.	BLS Instructor BLS for Health Care Providers
American Lifeguard Association	Professional Rescuer CPR Instructor-led Course
American Safety & Health Institute	American Safety and Health CPR for Professional Rescuers (CPR PRO)
Emergency Care and Safety Institute	 Health Care Provider CPR Professional Rescuer CPR²
EMS Safety Services, Inc.	CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer
Heart & Stroke Foundation of Canada	Level C - Basic Rescuer CPR
National Safety Council	 NSC Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers (Course title - Basic Life Support for Healthcare and Professional Rescuers) BLS Healthcare and Professional Rescuers²
New York City Department of Parks & Recreation	Municipal CPR: Basic Life Support
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation	CPR/AED for Lifeguards, Camp Counselors and Camp Directors
Regional Emergency Medical Services Council of New York City	BCLS for Health Care Providers Course
St. John Ambulance Canada	Level C (Basic Rescuer) CPR

^{*} CPR certification is valid for 1 year from the date of certification, regardless of expiration date on card.

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¹ A trip leader of a camp trip that includes an activity where emergency medical care is not readily available or an activity such as wilderness hiking, rock climbing, camping, horseback riding, bicycling, swimming and/or boating shall possess or be accompanied by staff who possess certification in a course listed on this Fact Sheet.

An activity leader of an activity on the camp property where other CPR certified staff is not readily available shall possess or be accompanied by staff who possess certification in a course listed on this Fact Sheet.

²The CPR course is no longer offered, existing certifications are valid for a maximum of 1 year from date of certification.

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